

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1156-01
Bill No.: HB 0331
Subject: Courts; Saint Louis
Type: Original
Date: January 29, 2001

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
St. Louis City	\$210,840	\$217,165	\$223,680
Local Government	\$210,840	\$217,165	\$223,680

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** responded that the St. Louis City circuit clerk's office reported an income of \$737,940 from the current fee of \$35 in FY 2000, and a projected income of approximately \$900,000 in FY 2001. Projecting this to a \$45 fee, the increased income to the fund could range from \$210,840 to \$257,130.

Officials from the **City of St. Louis** responded that the current surcharge brings in about \$700,000 per year. That figure divided by the current surcharge is 20,000. An additional \$10 surcharge multiplied by those 20,000 cases results in an impact of an additional \$200,000 in revenue.

Oversight assumes the increased revenue would be approximately \$210,840 per year and has adjusted this estimate for an annual increases in cases filed.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
Income - City of St. Louis			
Filing fees	\$210,840	\$217,165	\$223,680
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT	<u>\$210,840</u>	<u>\$217,165</u>	<u>\$223,680</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal would increase the courthouse restoration surcharge on civil cases in St. Louis City from thirty-five to forty-five dollars.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of State Courts Administrator
City of St. Louis

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Director
January 29, 2001